Overview

The Timpanogos Community Vision is a response to

concerns in the northern Utah County region over three pressing growth issues: open space, transportation and land use. The visioning process relied on planning expertise and public participation to build a conceptual plan for the ideal future of the region as it builds out. The Timp Vision project is unique in considering the big picture, across a large area and over a long time frame.

2001 Planning Grant Summary

Grant Amount: \$30,000

Matching Dollars: \$100,000 (\$0 in-kind)

Match: \$100,000

Project Cost: \$130,000

Lindon City-Timpanogos Community Vision

Local Responsibility

The Timpanogos region contains 12 individual cities and towns-Alpine, Highland, Cedar Hills, American Fork, Pleasant Grove, Lindon, Vineyard, Lehi, Eagle Mountain, Cedar Fort, Saratoga Springs, and Draper a well as unincorporated Utah County.

State Leadership

The Quality Growth Commission awarded Lindon City with a grant in the amount of \$30,000.

Economic Development

Utah County provides 150,000 jobs today and is projected to grow to 274,000 jobs by 2030, an increase proportional with its population growth. Figures 6 and 7 of the Timp Community Vision plan show the relationship between where jobs are found and where the population is located.

Infrastructure Development

Communities should combine and stack uses to make efficient use of land and infrastructure, offer incentives for infill and redevelopment in downtown and developed areas and promote alternatives to driving to reduce household transportation costs. Timp communities are advised to follow the lead of other cities and towns that have required development to pay its own way so existing residents aren't burdened with paying for growth and decisions regarding new commercial development can be better calculated.

Housing Opportunity

To maintain a high quality of life, the plan recommends maintaining an affordable standard of living. This can be achieved by encouraging a range of housing and transportation choices for all income levels. In addition, locations for higher densities that will enhance transit options, enliven the community and better serve the demands of such families should be sought after as well.

Conservation Ethic

Support for protecting green space is high in the Timpanogos area. A recent Lehi community survey showed 72% of residents strongly support protecting open space while in a statewide survey in 2000, 87% of Utahans stated that this was a goal. Agriculture, ecological corridors and heritage trails should be recognized before they disappear. This plan discusses provides a greenspace and land use vision and associated recommendations for protecting them and utilizing them throughout the Timp community.





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Implementation

Yes, the plan has been completed. We haven't had a chance to really open it up and get into it.

Promoting Intelligent Growth

The areas affected by the plan still remain undeveloped so to date I cant say a specific plan has been influenced. It has given us a chance to compare what we are doing with our neighbors (other cities).

Accomplishments

To my knowledge we just received the plan in July, so not much has been accomplished yet.

Benefits

We feel the benefits from this plan will be many. It will require a little more time to figure out what they will be exactly. One of our hopes is better coordination between municipalities on regional planning issues. Easier and better coordination is what we feel will be the greatest benefit for us. I can see transportation planning benefits by improving our ability to understand what other communities are planning for in the future.